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TAGS: PGOV, PHUM, SOCI, CH
SUBJECT: TFCH01: JUNE 6: SITREP FROM BEIJING HOTEL:

1. ENTIRE TEXT - SECRET.

2. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] PROVIDED THE
FOLLOWING OBSERVATIONS OF TIANANMEN SQUARE,
CHANGANJIE, AND THE BEIJING HOTEL AS OF 0730 TUESDAY
JUNE 6:

-- THE BEIJING HOTEL HAS NOT BEEN STRAPED OR
ATTACKED TO HIS KNOWLEDGE. HE HAS NOT LEFT THE
HOTEL SINCE JUNE 3.

-- THE BEIJING HOTEL HAS NOT BEEN CLEARED OF
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FOREIGNERS OR SWEEP BY PUBLIC SECURITY OFFICIALS.

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] IT DOES APPEAR THAT JAPANESE
CITIZENS MAY HAVE LEFT AT THEIR EMBASSY'S REQUEST.

-- THE WORKERS OF BEIJING HOTEL AT A MEETING ON JUNE
5 WERE TOLD THAT THEY COULD START TODAY TO TAKE A DAY
OFF IF THEY WERE NOT NECESSARY FOR OPERATIONS. AS OF

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THIS MORNING, THERE WERE TWO FLOOR BOYS AS USUAL ON THE AMCIT'S CORRIDOR. THE RESTAURANTS ARE ON LIMITED SCHEDULES BUT AT LEAST ONE OF THEM WAS FUNCTIONING JUNE 5.

-- TIANANMEN SQUARE WAS QUIET, WITH OCCASIONAL VEHICULAR MOVEMENT. NOTHING OCCURRED DURING THE NIGHT SUFFICIENT TO ROUSE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HAS REGULARLY REPORTED TANK AND APC MOVEMENTS, INCLUDING THOSE OF JUNE 4 AND 5, OUT OF TIANANMEN SQUARE.

-- THE COMMON CITIZENS CONTINUE TO CLUSTER AND MIX ON CHANGANJIE IN FRONT OF THE BEIJING HOTEL, INCLUDING MOVING UP TO THE "FIRE ZONE" BARRIERS. THERE ARE NO LONGER INCIDENTS OF SOLDIERS SPRAYING THE STREET WITH AUTOMATIC WEAPONS, THOUGH THE SOLDIERS STAND READY WITH WEAPONS.

-- THE SOLDIERS FACING EAST IN TWO AND SOMETIMES THREE LINES DEEP ACROSS THE WIDTH OF CHANGANJIE SEEM TO BE ROTATING OCCASIONALLY.

3. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] FOR THE PAST TWO OR THREE DAYS CONFIRM

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MOST OF THE ABOVE. JUNE 5 AND 6, THEY SAY, THE ATMOSPHERE IN AND AROUND THE BEIJING HOTEL HAS BEEN TENSE OR NERVOUS ONLY AT NIGHT. THEY DO REPORT A GOOD DEAL OF MOVEMENT OF TANKS, TROOPS, AND HELICOPTERS INTO AND OUT OF THE SQUARE. THEY SAID THAT THE STORY IS GOING AROUND THE HOTEL, BASIS UNKNOWN, THAT THE TROOP UNITS ARE "ALIGNED" WITH THE TROOPS IN CONTROL OF THE AVENUE FROM THE SQUARE TO THE JIANGUOMENWAI OVERPASS AND THE OVERPASS ITSELF. LILLEY

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